



Case No.: 99,225

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

METHOD FOR REDUCING INTERFERENCE FROM INITIALIZING NETWORK DEVICES IN A DATA-OVER-CABLE SYSTEM

the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following space is checked:

was filed on November 30, 2000 as United States Application Serial Number 09/727,069.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56.

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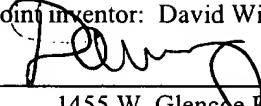
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